GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5245
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SETTING UP OF POST OFFICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) targets fixed and the achievements made in setting up of post offices in urban, rural, tribal and hilly areas of States and Union Territories during the Eighth and Ninth Plan Period;

(b) the steps being contemplated by the Union Government to take up the remaining work in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the same is likely to be done?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Targets fixed and achievements made for opening of post offices in urban, rural, tribal, and hilly areas of Postal Circles during the Eighth and Ninth Plan are given in Annexure I & II

(b) & (c): Delivery and collection of mail is provided to all urban, rural, hilly, tribal, desert and in-accessible areas of the country. The three norms on which the proposals for opening of post offices are examined relate to distance, population and income. The post offices are opened on norm-based justification subject to availability of plan targets and resources. A target of opening of 60 Extra Departmental Branch offices (EDBOs) in the North Eastern Region and 440 Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices (EDBOs) in th rest of the country, 4 Departmental Sub Offices (DSOs) in the North Eastern Region and 46 Departmental Sub Post Offices in the res of the country and 1765 Panchayat Sanchar Sewa Kendras (PSSKs) has been fixed for the current year i.e.2001-2002 of the Ninth Five-Year Plan.

ANNEXURE-I

Circle wise Breakup of Post Offices opened during 8th Five Year Plan (1992-93 to 1996-97)

	TARGET 1992-93	OPENED 1992-93	TARGET 1993-94	OPENED 1993-94	TARGET 1994-95	OPENED 1994-95	TARGET 1995-96	OPENED 1995-96	TARGET 1996-97	OPENED 1996-97
Sl.No Circles	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO
1. ANDHRA	19	5	6	9	17	5	12	5	2	5	NIL	4	2	5	5	2	2	5	6	6
2. ASSAM	27	3	27	3	25	3	26	3	5	4	Nil	1	4	4	NIL	1	2	4	10	4
3. BIHAR	70	8	67	2	90	8	90	5	3	11	NIL	1	10	11	NIL	NIL	10	11	23	13
4. DELHI	NIL	5	NIL	9	NIL	6	NIL	1	NIL	10	NIL	3	NIL	10	NIL	NIL	1	10	NIL	4
5. GUJARAT	25	5	74	7	20	8	15	NIL	5	12	NIL	2	4	12	NIL	4	5	12	14	20
6. HARYANA	10	3	10	3	10	5	16	2	2	12	NIL	4	2	10	1	2	4	10	7	9
7 HIMACHAL	15	1	24	1	15	2	90	3	12	6	NIL	NIL	7	10	NIL	2	4	10	23	3
8. J & K	5	1	6	NIL	5	1	23	1	NIL	2	NIL	NIL	NIL	2	NIL	2	2	2	NIL	NIL

9. KARNATAKA 15 5 39 10 15 6 11 9 1 11 2 3 1 10 1 4 2 10 9 18
10. KERALA 10 3 NIL NIL 20 3 29 1 3 12 1 NIL 1 9 NIL 18 1 9 3 12
11. M.P. 55 5 111 7 35 5 35 11 5 9 NIL NIL 9 9 NIL 6 9 17 9 9
12. MAHARASHTRA 55 10 114 10 80 11 92 12 10 6 NIL 1 9 12 NIL 7 9 12 31 12
13. NORTH EAST 35 5 79 2 40 4 40 6 1 1 NIL 1 4 4 1 NIL 2 4 4 3
14. ORISSA 40 5 40 8 35 4 42 4 4 4 NIL 1 4 4 NIL NIL 4 4 12 NIL
15. PUBJAB 10 3 28 3 10 3 7 2 3 5 1 4 2 4 1 2 2 4 7 4
16. RAJASTHAN 60 6 244 9 30 5 30 5 5 12 2 NIL 5 10 NIL 6 5 10 12 6
17. TAMILNADU 14 7 30 4 10 4 14 4 2 5 3 4 2 4 3 2 2 4 7 4
18. U.P. 75 10 100 11 93 12 95 13 14 19 NIL 4 12 16 NIL 3 12 16 38 9
19. W. BENGAL 60 10 92 1 50 5 37 5 3 4 1 NIL 2 4 NIL NIL 2 4 3 2

TOTAL 600 100 1091 99 600 100 704 92 80 150 10 33 80 150 12 61 80 150 225 139

Annexure-II

CIRCLE WISE BREAK UP OF POST OFFICES OPENED DURING 9th FIVE YEAR PLAN

Sl.No.	Circles	Target 1997-98	Opened 1997-98	Target 1998-99	Opened 1998-99	Target 99-2000	Opened 99-2000	Target 2000-01	Sanctioned+ 2000-01
		BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO
1	ANDHRA	10 2	10 3	10 2	10 2	15 2	4 3	15 2	3 2
2	ASSAM	25 2	18 3	54 5	54 5	50 4	24 7	30 3	30 3
3	BIHAR	40 5	31 4	72 2	72 2	50 3	51 nil	53 5	70 1
4	DELHI	5 2	5 2	4 2	4 2	4 2	4 2	4 2	4 2
5	GUJARAT	25 2	18 3	31 2	31 2	30 3	28 2	20 3	8 3
6	HARYANA	15 2	13 2	13 3	13 3	15 2	12 1	15 2	1 1
7	HIMACHAL	10 2	4 nil	7 1	7 1	7 1	2 1	7 1	2 1
8	J & K	15 1	11 1	23 1	23 1	15 1	14 1	5 1	5 1
9	JHARKHAND				22 2	nil 1			
10	KARNATAKA	30 5	24 5	12 4	12 4	21 3	21 3	21 2	21 2
11	KERALA	10 2	7 1	12 3	12 3	4 2	4 2	4 2	4 1
12	M.P.	37 2	41 2	50 5	50 5	40 4	40 4	40 3	40 3
13	MAHRASHTRA	35 3	34 4	69 3	69 3	50 2	50 3	60 2	60 7
14	NORTH EAST	25 3	18 3	54 3	54 3	40 2	19 3	40 2	4 3
15	ORISSA	27 2	21 3	10 2	10 2	14 2	14 2	10 2	10 2
16	PUNJAB	17 2	12 2	12 2	12 2	10 1	9 1	14 2	12 2
17	RAJASTHAN	33 2	33 1	30 1	30 1	27 2	24 1	20 2	20 2
18	TAMIL NADU	21 2	21 3	10 2	10 2	15 2	15 2	15 2	15 2
19	U.P.	70 6	57 6	82 3	82 3	50 3	10 2	50 3	51 1
20	W.BENGAL	50 3	24 4	43 4	43 4	43 9	41 9	55 7	nil 7
	TOTAL	500 50	402 52	598 50	598 50	500 50	386 49	500 50	360 47

+ Shows Achievement as on 28/3/2001.